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DID NOT SAY SO

Tillman and Smith Make Reply to Enquiries of Congressman Aiken.

A VERY SMALL MATTER

Aiken Wanted to Know if Either of the Senators Said "Congressman Johnson Had More Sense than all the Other South Carolina Congressmen Put Together.

Representative Wyatt Aiken, of South Carolina, has given out the correspondence which resulted from his personally conducted investigation concerning a statement reported to have been made recently by Governor Blease in a speech at Spartanburg, for which the Governor gave as his authority a United States Senator.

The statement, as reported, was that a United States Senator told him (Governor Blease) that Congressman Joseph T. Johnson "had more sense than all the other South Carolina Congressmen put together," which, the Governor is reported as having said, confirmed his own judgment.

Representative Aiken, in an effort to find out what Senator was responsible for the remark quoted by Governor Blease addressed on July 7th this note to Senator Tillman, also enclosing newspaper clipping of Governor's Blease's reported statement:

"Surely Senator Tillman did not say this. (Signed) Wyatt Aiken.."

A similar note and clipping were sent to Senator Smith, from whom no reply was received.

Senator Tillman replied as follows:

"Trenton, S. C., July 10, 1911. Hon. Wyatt Aiken, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.—Dear Wyatt: I have received the enclosed which speaks for itself. I do not know from what paper you took the clipping, nor even do I understand who was speaking. But that does not matter. I have never said that Joe Johnson had more sense than all the other Congressmen from South Carolina, for it would not be true. He is not naturally brighter, if as bright, as several of our Representatives. I have complimented him on his industry and persistency in working for his constituents. That is all. I am surprised that you appear so thin-skinned, and the hot weather must be getting in its work on your brain, for heretofore I have never found you very sensitive or willing to 'fly off' like this. I hope you will soon be well again and will settle down and resume the even tenor of your way.

"Have just returned from Orangeburg, where I had a delightful time. All the people there seem to be Tillmanites now. Very sincerely yours, (Signed) B. R. Tillman."

The following letter was sent to Senator Smith by Mr. Aiken on the 3rd of August, 1911:

"House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., August 3, 1911.—Dear Senator: Not long since when Gov. Blease spoke at Spartanburg, the newspapers state that 'When Congressman Joseph T. Johnson came upon the rostrum he said that a United States Senator had told him that Mr. Johnson had more sense than all the other South Carolina Congressmen put together, and this, he said, confirmed his own judgment.'

"While I am not thin-skinned at all, I felt that it was nothing but fair to you and to Senator Tillman to inquire if the above report emanated from either of you gentlemen. Senator Tillman promptly replied denying the statement so far as he was concerned and stated further that he did not believe the Governor's assertion to be true.

"About that time I also sent the clipping to you pinned to a seperate sheet of paper something like this: 'Surely Senator Smith did not say this,' and signed my name. I have heard nothing from you, and thinking perhaps you did not receive the clipping and note I have concluded to write you again and ask that you tell me whether or not you made such a remark to the Governor.

"With regards, your very sincerely (Signed) Wyatt Aiken.

The following reply was sent to Representative Aiken by Senator Smith:

"Washington, D. C., August 10th, 1911. Hon. Wyatt Aiken, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., Dear Aiken: On account of illness at home and, having just returned to the city, this is my first opportunity of replying to your letter of recent date.

"In reply I beg to say that I remember, in the course of a casual conversation with the Governor, on the care, of speaking complimentary of Congressman Johnson. Just what language I used I do not recall.

"I did not receive your newspaper clipping, your letter being the only communication I had from you on the subject.

"With kindest regards, I am, very sincerely yours,

(Signed) "E. D. Smith."

After receiving the above reply from Senator Smith, Representative Aiken had the following to say:

"I think Senator Smith might have had the manhood to say whether he did or not make the remark in question, instead of evading the point."

Atwood Starts Final Flight.

Harry N. Atwood will start on his flight to the Atlantic Ocean from St. St. Louis Monday morning. *

BOY BROUGHT BACK

PAID KIDNAPPERS RANSOM AND GOT THE CHILD.

The Police Were Notified and Twelve of the Gang Were Arrested and Locked Up.

At Chicago, Angelo Mareno, six years old, who was returned Friday evening after a ransom of $500 in marked bills had been paid the kidnapers is closely guarded by his parents.

"I will never let my darling get out of my sight again until he is old enough to take care of himself," sobbed the mother as she wept with joy at the child's return after being held prisoners by kidnappers for almost five days.

The boy sat on his mothers lap Saturday morning and greeted his playmates and neighbors who called and seemed unable to realize the grief his absence had caused his parents. He said he was well treated by the kidnappers. They bought new clothes and gave him candy and cake.

There was rejoicing in the North Side Italian colony over the boy's safe return and hundreds of neighbors and friends called at the Mareno home to congratulate the parents.

Nine men and three women are under arrest for the kidnapping and the police expect to make additional arrests before long. Search is being made for the woman who guarded and cared for the boy in the West division house An effort will be made also by the police to recover the $500 paid as ransom.

The father of the boy received a special delivery letter Friday. He turned it over to the police It is believed to have threatened him with death for having cooperated with the police in search of the child. *

WOLFE FISH WILL BITE.

Visitors to the Maine Coast Warned Against Them.

Summer visitors on the coast of Maine, especially in the neighborhood of Eastport, are advised to be cautious in wading at low tide near the rock-pools along the shore. If not on their guard they may be attacked and severely bitten byawolffish.

This, according to Dr. Theo. Gill, is one of the most remarkable of finny creatures. Though rarely exceeding three feet in length, it seems to be much more ferocious than the average shark, promptly attacking anybody whom it may suspect of trying to meddle with it.

Anatomically, its most striking feature is its large and powerful teeth, which must render it a formidable antagonist in a fight with any other denizen of the ocean. Apparently, however, it does not feed on fishes, but prefers such delicacies as lobsters, crabs and whelks. In the stomach of one individual, caught at Eastport, four quarts of sea urchins were found, most of them whole and with the spines on—an uncomfortable article of diet one might imagine.

Large numbers of wolf-fishes are taken by fishermen on cod and haddock lines, but usually they are thrown away, notwithstanding the fact that they are exceedingly good to eat. Their appearance is the reverse of attractive and they have an offensive odor which renders them unmarketable.

NEGRO FIEND BURNED.

Attacked and Shot a Lady, Was Killed and Then Burned.

At Durant, Okla., a mob of 500 whites Sunday captured and shot to death an unidentified negro, who on Saturday attacked and shot Mrs. Redden Campbell near Durant, and afterward burned the negro's body.

The negro was killed after a running fight lasting more than an hour, in which he exhausted his ammunition, returning the fire of his pursuers.

When he fell, volley after volley of bullets was poured into his body by the advancing mob. It was then taken to the home of his victim. Nearly dead from her injuries, Mrs. Campbell identified it as that of her assailant. The mob then burned the corpse.

Fatal Train Wreck.

Two men were scalded to death and two were seriously injured when a passenger train on the Seaboard Air Line plunged through an open switch and struck a freight train on a siding near Petersburg, Va., on Monday. The dead men were the fireman and the engineer of the freight train.

Girl Dies of Wound.

The little negro girl who was shot at Kershaw two weeks ago by B. Stradford, a negro man, who was shooting at another negro, died Saturday. An inquest was held by Coroner King. Stradford was arrested and brought to jail the day after the shooting.

Many Are Killed.

At San Jose, C. R., the government powder magazine exploded from an unknown cause. Several persons were killed and many others wounded. A large number of houses were blown down. *

BLIND MAN CURED

pHIS SIGHT RESTORED BY HYPNOTIC TREATMENT.

Former Policeman Retired as Hopelessly Sightless from Atrophy of Eyes, Reads Large Print.

Ralph Swineston, who was retired from the New York police force with a pension in July, 1903, as hopelessly blind, was able to read ordinary print after Dr. Alfred J. Fox had hypnotized him in the Hotel Frederick, Fifty-sixth street, near Broadway, New York.

The World says Dr. Fox three months ago treated Melchior Luysterberg in St. Mark's hospital and demonstrated that he could make the man walk though Luysterburg had been a hopeless paralytic for three years.

Dr. Fox, naturally delighted after the experiment said he believed it was the first time atrophy of the eye had responded to any treatment. The former policeman has had two treatments. He lives at No. 418 West Fortieth street.

One unusual feature of the experiment lies in the fact that hypnotism generally depends upon a concentrated look into the eyes of the hypnotist. Swineston could give no such glance and the physician experimented with ihm in a mild way for several days before definitely putting the six-footer into the hypnotic state.

"I fidst went to the doctor a week ago, said Swineston to a World reporter for the World Thursday. "I'd heard of what he told a man in St. Mark's and I thought he might be able to do something for me.

"When I left the force I could stand on the curb of a street and not see a car pasing. I could not see any person's full face. By looking sideways I could get a hazy view. I could not read anything. I could not see an electric lamp if it shone in front.

"After I was retired with a small pension for total disability I went to making little toys. Then I got a job in a paper box factory cutting corners. That doesn't need sight. Two of the men working with me were blind.

"I could just see a general blur of light. That was disappearing when a friend read me about the hypnotist making the paralyzed man walk. I said, "If he can do that why can't he make me see again?" So I came to him."

After explaining the case, Swineston droped his head on the back of an admchair and Dr. Fox talked to him in a low voice, making passes before his eyes. There was nothing spectacular about the performance. Swineston went into a sleep that lasted nearly an hour. In its course the physician whispered to him many times:

"The arteries that supply your eyes are getting stronger. The nerves are growing stronger. The can see. You can see letters. Your eyes are much stronger. They will soon be allright."

The big fellow, breathing heavily was brought out of his sleep. He looked the reporter squarely in the eye. He read an advertisemnt in large type. He failed on smaller type.

"But my eyes are getting stronger, sure," he said. "Wouldn't it be fine if they got so good that I could go on the force again." *

PUT NUGENT OUT.

Jersey Democrats Resent Insult to Governor Wilson.

At Asbury Park, N. J., fourteen members of the Democratic state committee, the exact number necessary for a quorum, voted Friday afternoon to declare vecant the chairmanship of the organization, occupied by James R. Nugent, who was recently asked to resign because of his aleged reference to Gov. Woodrow Wilson as "an ingrate" and in other opprobious terms. This action followed rioting, which the police were called upon to quell, and was taken after Nugent and a supporter had left the rom and the quorum had been reestablished by other members of the committee. *

Pays up the Cost.

A check for $42,395.69 was received Friday at Washington by the department of justice from the Standard Oil Company in payment of costs in the dissolution suit brought by the government under the Sherman anti-trust law. *

Two Amercians Drown.

Advices received from the Congo Free State say that two Americans, Messrs. Delforge and Black, managers of the American Roma company travelling on the river Boch off Lispa. The bodies have not been recovered. *

Hurled to the Ground.

At Meneola, L. I., Bud Weinberg, an aviator, while trying to qualify for a pilot's license, Friday fell 250 feet with his machine. He was only badly bruised. The machine was wrecked. *

Lynched for Cause.

At Farmville, Texas, Commodore Jones, a negro, who used insulting language in addressing a young white woman over the telephone, was hanged by a mob Saturday night.

WILL NOT DOWN

Governor Blease Again Denies He Insulted the Young Lady

IN SPEECH TO RED MEN

Says His Enemies Concocted the Scheme to Injure Him, and that They as Well as His Friends Know Why it Was Done, But He Didn't Tell His Hearers.

Governor Blease's first address to the people of his home county, since his inauguration was delivered at a Red Men's Rally, at Young's Grove, near Prosperity, Friday, which was attended by about two thousand people. Governor Blease was enthusiastically received and made what was regarded by those who heard it as one of the best adresses which he has ever delivered in that county. He spoke on the "Principles of Red Manship," but he branched off once or twice to discuss matters connected with his administration and personal attacks which had been made upon him.

Near the close of his address he said that he felt he ought, before the people of his home, who knew him, to refer to the Belton incident, the acusation that he had insulted a woman.

"I shall say nothing about her," he said. "She may be a spure and as spotless as an angel, but the man or the woman who was present on that occasion and heard what took place and tells the truth will tell you that I did not insult her."

He said he wanted to tell the good women present, many of whom had known him since his boyhood days, that he had said nothing on earth to hurt her feelings or to offend her.

"Why they concocted that scheme is plain," he said, "to my enemies and will be understood by my friends. They have fought me with every kind of abuse, vituperation and slander and could not hurt me and they went to that extreme, to which all dirty, unscrupulous hounds like them will go, thinking 'now we will strike him with a woman, we will bring him into controversy with a woman.' "

Continuing, he said: "Ladies, those of you who have known me all your lives, if there is one of you in that crowd that believes I would insult a woman without cause or without provocation I will thank you from the bottom of my heart if you will stand up or raise your hand." There being no standing or lifting of hands on the part of the ladies, he said, "Men, you who have known me all my life, if one of you, whether you be my political friend or not, believes that Cole Blease would insult a woman without cause or provocation, be man enough to hold up your hand, if you please. I want you to do it, if you believe that."

The only response was in the nature of remarks to the effect that he ought to know the people of Newberry did not believe any such thing, and cheers.

Governor Blease said: "My friends I thank you, God knows I do."

That charge, he said, had hurt him when none of the others could, "because," he said, "I had as good a mother as any boy ever had and I had as good a step mother as God ever gave to a family of children, and whenever I stoop so low or get so cowardly as to insult a woman, I hope God will paralyze my tongue."

Governor Blease defended his pardon record, taking up several cases and going into detail and requesting his hearers if there were any other pardons in regard to which they would like to hear the reasons which actuated him or any other matters connected with his administration which they would like to hear from him upon, to ask him. He said he had spoken to between 30,000 and 35,000 people this year, more than had attended all the campaign meetings last summer, and he was trying to get among the people and find out their wishes and the policies which were for their best interests.

In congratulating the Red Men upon the fact that there were no negro lodges of the Order, he referred to secret lodges among the negroes and, among other things, says he had positive proof that there were a man and his wife living in a distant State trying to perfect organiations throughout the Southern States among the negroes, claiming the societies formed would pay benefits in cases of sickness or death or distress, but before any negro could become a member of the society he had to sign an oath that he would not work but eight hours a day and would obey the mandates of superior officers and he was being taught that he was a social equal of the white man.

He said it was not true that he was unfriendly to the negro when the negro was in his place, but he wants to sound a word of warning.

"So long as you can get white women and white men to go into the school houses of this country and teach negroes and associate wtih them side by side, so long will these sceret orders flourish among that class, and so long will the white people have trouble, and it will become serious."

"Not long since, he said, he had passed by an institution in South Carolina and had seen a handsome white woman walking across the campus of a negro school, with one arm around a negro boy and another arm around a negro girl. That happened, he said in the city of Columbia. He said he expected to recommend at the next session of the Legislature the passage of an act prohibiting anyone from teaching in the schools of this State who has not received a certificate from the State Superintendent of Education and the Governor.

The greatest portion of Govcernor Blease's speech was a fine effort along fraternal lines, only the few diversions of a political nature being here given. He was frequently interrupted by applause and he said that the warm reception which he had received at the hands of the people of his native county made his heart glad. *

NEGRO DIES AT STAKE

TAKEN FROM HOSPITAL BY A MOB AND BURNED.

The Negro Shot and Killed a Special Policeman at Coatsville, Pa., and Was Burned Near the Scene.

Zacariah Walker, a negro desperado, was carried on a cot from the hospital at Coatsville, Pa., Sunday night and burned to a crisp by a frenzied mob of men and boys. The negro, who Saturday night shot and killed Edgar Rice, a special policeman of the Worth Iron mills, was first dragged to the scene of the shooting, begging piteously for mercy.

A dispatch from Coatsville says the negro had been arrested by a posse late Sunday afternoon after a search which stirred the country. The posse finally found him hiding in a cherry tree. The negro with the last bullet in his revolver shot himself in the mouth, falling from the tree. He was removed to the hospital and placed under guard..

A few minutes after nine o'clock a crowd numbering almost 1,000 persons appeared at the hospital. The leaders were denied admission but they quickly smashed the window frames and crawled through the corridor. When Walker was first taken to the hospital he was strapped down in order to prevent his escape. The mob, seeing this, gathered up the bed and placing it on the shoulders of four men, started for the country. When half a mile from the hospital they entered a field and quickly gathered up a pile of dry grass and weeds, placed the bed containing their victim on it.

A match was applied and the flames shot up quickly, entirely enshrouding the screaming victim. That not a vestige of the murderer be left, the mob tore down the fence along the road and piled the rails on the burning negro. After waiting for half an hour the mob dispersed. A curious feature of the burning was the fact that there were almost as many women in the crowd as men.

During the march from the hospital to the scene of the burning of the negro, not a policeman was encountered by the mob. Even the man on duty in the hospital made no effort to stop the leaders who gained admittance to the institution. The only masks worn by the members of the mob were handkerchiefs drawn over their faces. Coatsville is a town of about 10,000 population and is located on the main line of the Pennsylvania railroad, about 30 miles west of Philadelphia.

WANTS SABBATH OBSERVED.

Governor Blease Orders Sunday Amusements Stopped.

Governor Blease has addressed to Sheriff Coleman, of Richland County, a letter directing him to abate alleged nuisances at Ridgewood, in respect to violations of th eSabbath observance laws; the letter follows:

W. H. Coleman, Sheriff Richland County, Columbia.---Dear sir: I am informed that there is a shooting gallery, which is operated on the Sabbath, at Ridgewood, and I am also informed that there is a game, commonly described as "throwing the babies," which is also operated on the Sabbath at that place.

You will please go there and make an investigation and if you find this is the case, close up these places and arrest the operators. Please give this matter your prompt attention, as in my opinion there is nothing more degrading to the morals of the people than the desecration of the Sabbath day. Very respectfully,

Cole L Blease, Governor.

Blazing Whiskey Flowed.

In New York on Friday blazing whiskey flowed all over the block and the police reserves were summoned to beat back a mob intent on rescuing some of the liquor for personal consumption when an automobile truck loaded with spirits caught fire on Fighth avenue. The whole truck load, worth about $1,000, was destroyed. *

Cowhided by a Woman.

Because, it is alleged, he circulated reports detrimental to the character of Mrs. H. G. Sherrill, wife of a well known citizen of Spencer, N. C. George L. Webb, a machinist in the Southern railway shops there, was cowhided by Mrs. Sherrill, who immediately afterwards went to police headquarters and submitted to a charge of assault. *

JUMPS THE TRACK

FOUR PEOPLE ARE KILLED AND MANY ARE INJURED

Passenger Sideswipes Freight on Siding and Trains Are Piled Up in Mass of Twisted Iron.

Four persons were killed and thirty injured when the Pennsylvania 18-hour train, en routs from Chicago to New York, jumped the track on the western outs... of Fort Wayne at 6:03 Sunday evening, while going at the rate of 50 miles an hour.

In leaving the rails the two engines pulling the passenger train sideswiped a freight engine and the three piled up in a mass of bent and twisted iron. The dead are:

Wm. E. Arrick, Fort Wayne; engineer on freight.

Peter Malone, Fort Wayne, engineer on flyer.

W. Criech, Fort Wayne, fireman on flyer.

Unknown passenger at St. Joseph's hospital.

The police department, the fire department and every ambulance in the city were called to the scene of the accident and the injured were soon taken to the hospitals.

At least 50 doctors were on the scene within a half hour of the time the trains came together, and within a short time thousands of people had collected about the wreck.

The main track and the track on which the freight train was standing were torn up for a distance of 200 yards.

The two engines of the flyer were torn from their trucks and thrown down the embankment, while the engines of the freight reared in the air over the trucks of the flyer's engines. Passengers in the seven rear cars escaped with only cuts and bruises.

SET HIMSELF ON FIRE.

Abbeville Farmer Finds Death in a Very Strange Way.

Charles Nickles, son of L. C. Nickles, of the Santuc section of Abbeville county, died Saturday night from the effects of burns received last Friday, when he made an attempt at self-destruction, with the result that his father's barn and its contents were destroyed.

Young Nichols had been suffering for some time with melancholy and Friday went into the barn on his father's farm, covered himself with fodder and set fire to it. Others on the place were attracted by smoke and with great difficulty saved the young man from immediate death. It was impossible to check the flames and the building and its contents were burned with a total loss.

Young Nickles lingered until Saturday, when death ended his suffering He is twenty-two years of age and had been farming with his father

VERY QUEER ACCIDENT.

Huge Turkey Buzzard Causes Two Cars to Leave Track.

At Los Angeles, Cal., the lives of a score of passengers on two inbound beach cars were placed in jeopardy late Friday night by a huge turkey buzzard. Just as a Venice flyer and a Del Rey car were approaching a switch the buzzard charged the brilliant head lights of the flyer. He missed his aim and crashed through the glass door, knocking the motorman back into the aisle just as he was applying the air brakes to bring his car to a stop. The Del Rey car was already on the switch and the cars crashed, both being derailed. None of the passengers were injured. *

Will Sell It to City.

Authority is given the secretary of the treasury to sell the old postoffice and courthouse at Charleston, S. C., to the city of Charleston by a senate bill passed Friday in the house. For sentimental reasons the people of Charleston objected to the department's plan to tear down the old building. *

Jokers Were Killed.

At Detroit, Mich., Frank J. Cook and Daniel Vreeland, special detectives for the Lake Shore railroad, who were killed Saturday night by Special officer William Burnett, of the Michigan Central railroad, met death as a result of a joke they attempted to play on Burnett.

Negro Kills a Negro.

At a negro barbecue just beyond the city limits of Abbeville, Josn Peterson, a negro, was shot and killed by Burton Fuller, another negro Fuller claims that Peterson was beating him with a stick when he shot. Fuller is in jail. *

Powder Magazine Exploded.

The government powder magazine magazine at San Jose California, exploded Frday from an unknown cause. Several persons were killed and many others wounded. A large number of houses were blown down. *

Aviator Injured in Flight.

Bud Weinberg, an aviator, while trying to qualify for a pilot's license at Mineola, L. I., Friday, fell 250 feet with his machine. He was only badly bruised although his machine was wrecked. *

BIG WORKS BURN

Southern Wood Products Company Plant at Conway Destroyed.

A SPECTACULAR BLAZE

Without Warning, Explosion Followed by Rapid Spread of Flames Results in Serious Burning of Several Employees and Total Destruction of Valuable Property.

A special dispatch from Conway to The News and Courier says as a result of a serious fire, the causes of which are unknown, which suddenly broke out Thursday night in the plant of the Southern Wood Products Company, the day foeman, M. David W. Tisdale, lies in a critical condition, several other employees are injured and the large new plant of the company is a complete mass of charred ruins.

All of the employees were at their posts and the work was proceeding, seemingly, in perfect order when there was a slight explosion and the flames flashed and spread over the whole building; all materials contained therein being highly inflammable and there was no hope of saving the factory.

In the explosion and first breath of the fire, Mr. Tisdale was completely enveloped in the gas-laden flames. A negro workman, near at hand, received serious burns and other minor injudies. Except for the coolness of other employees, who, recognizing their danger and the necessity for prompt action, seized those who had been most seriously burned and plunged them into a tank of water, the results would have been far more serious.

Mr. Tisdale, who was almost crazed by his burns, broke from his friends, and closely followed by a burning negro employee ran all the way to Conway, a distance of nearly a mile where he was given medical attention. His condition is now considered critical, while the others who were burned are out of danger.

The fire was very spectacular, the rays of the flames being accentuated by rapid explosions of tanks of benzine, oils and other explosives, the products of the company, that shot upwards immense columns of fire and smoke, which were visible miles away. The heat was so intense that nothing could be saved from the factory, although by heroic efforts the old factory nearby, the office building and the residence of Mr. Magrath were saved. A number of railroad cars on a nearby siding were burned.

Mr. L. D. Magrath the superintendent and general manager of the works, when seen, stated that his loss would probably exceed $40,000 with no insurance to cover, as the insurance companies have, on account of the nature of the business, refused the risk. Mr. Magrath had no statement to make relative to the plans for rebuilding nor of the probabilities, as up to this time no advices had been received by him from the New York offices.

The company's lightwood timber holdings were extensive, sufficient to run the plant for twenty years, and they were continually adding to their possessions. This company the oly thoroughly successful process for the extraction of tupentine, rosin and other products from lightwood, and the burned plant was the pioneer factory operating under the new process invented and perfected by Mr. Geo. Walker, of New York City, president of the company. It was reviving a rapidly declining industry of this section of the State, that of turpentine distillation.

The first plant built by Mr. Walker and his associates was erected here six years ago. After a few months of successful operation it was burned, but was immediately rebuilt. Since that time an entirely new process having been discovered the operation of the plant already in existence has been discontinued. Work was begun on the new factory a little over a year ago, and the factory has just been completed, although portions of it have been in operation for several months.

New Cotton Pest

A new cotton pest discovered near Macon Ge., is puzzling the cotton experts. It made its appearance first on the farm of C. J. Langston about six day ago and has destroyed about 15 acres of cotton. The bug is a brilliant red in color and attacks the stalk and leaves of the plant. *

Killed in Mine Disaster.

At Bochum, Prussia, fifty men were killed in a disaster at the Hannibal coal mine Friday. Sixty miners were entering the pit to begin their day's work when the cable of the cage in which they were being lowered broke, dropping the party to the bottom of the shaft. *

The Earth Trembled.

The most severe earthquake shock felt in the vicinity of San Francisco, California in years was felt in that place on Friday afternoon at three-forty. The occupants of the stores, much alarmed, and fearing a reoccurence of the great shock of a few years ago, fled into the streets.